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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Second Supplemental Amendment And Reply To Final Office Action; and
2. Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 Of Dr. Anthony Kennedy, with attached VELCADE™ package insert, Appendix A, and curriculum vitae.

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